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PRECISION INSERT FOR MOLDING MULTI-FIBER CONNECTORS
AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THEREOF

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**FORMAL AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2003, the period for response being extended by the Petition for Extension of Time and fee filed concurrently herewith, kindly reconsider and reexamine the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.